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ONLY TWO TRIPS AT THIS PORT.

Week Ends With Light Fishing Arrivals.

There has been but one arrival here since last report, sch. Vanessa coming to anchor about 9 o'clock with a fair catch of salted codfish as the result of a shack trip to the eastward, to the Sable Island grounds.

The torchers and traps produced 65 barrels of fresh herring and the Italian seining fleet, operating in Annisquam river, and numbering five boats, landed 75 barrels of fresh tinker mackerel before noon time and went back looking for more.

Sch. Etta Mildred arrived this noon from an eastern handline trip with 15,000 pounds of salt cod.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Vanessa, Sable Island ground, 75,000 lbs. salt cod.

Torchers and traps, 60 bbls. fresh herring.

Small boats, seining, Annisquam river, 75 bbls. fresh tinker mackerel.

Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, Georges.

Sch. Etta Mildred, Eastern dory handlining, 15,000 lbs. salt cod.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Juniata, haddocking.

Sch. Volant, pollocking.

Today's Fish Market.

Handline Georges cod, large, \$4 per cwt.; medium, \$3.50.

Trawl Georges cod, large, \$3.75 per cwt.; medium, \$3.25.

Trawl bank cod, large, \$3.35 per cwt.; medium, \$3.

Drift Georges cod, large, \$3.75 per cwt.; medium, \$3.50.

Eastern double dory salt handline cod, \$3.87½ per cwt. for large and \$3.55 for mediums.

Outside sales of Bank cod, \$3.75 for large and \$3.50 for medium.

Bank halibut 11 cents per lb. right through for white and gray.

Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2.

Salt haddock, \$1.25 per cwt.

Salt hake, \$1.25 per cwt.

Salt pollock, \$1.25 per cwt.

Splitting prices for fresh fish:

Western cod, large, \$2.25 per cwt.; medium, \$1.75.

Eastern cod, large, \$1.90 per cwt.; medium, \$1.55; snappers, 60 cts.

Western Bank cod, large, \$2.12 1-2 per cwt.; medium, \$1.65.

Cusk, large, \$1.65 per cwt.; medium, \$1.25; snappers, 50 cents.

Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.; hake, \$1.15 per cwt.; dressed pollock, 75 cts. per cwt.; round pollock, 70 cts. per cwt.

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Portland Fish Notes.

For the first time for more than a week the Portland fishing fleet had an opportunity to set their trawls Thursday and as a result of their good fortune a fleet numbering 12 sails came into port Friday morning with fish. While not a single vessel in the fleet had a record breaking fare the dealers at Commercial and Central wharves wore a smile for their supply had become exhausted as the result of the unfavorable weather of the past eight or nine days. A total of nearly 50,000 pounds of mixed fish was brought in by the fleet on Friday so the storage was replenished.

Now that the weather has cleared the indications are that more fish will be brought into port, but the fishermen are not encouraged over the outlook for a successful season by any means for the fish are scarce. Sch. Fannie Hayden and Albert D. Willard were the high liners of the fleet for they each brought in 10,000 pounds. The other fares ranged from 1200 to 6000 pounds so the fishermen will not be able to build any blocks or buy any automobiles on the amount of money they earned on Thursday.

One of the skippers said yesterday that the fish were scarce and that the bait being used was not just what it should be. The fishermen have been having considerable difficulty in securing fresh bait so the small fares have resulted. If the weather remains fair the entire fleet will be about again today, for nearly every vessel was baiting up again for another trip to the fishing ground. The vessels to land their fares Friday were:

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Albert D. Willard, 10,000 lbs.; Katie L. Palmer, 6000 lbs.; Albert Black, 3000 lbs.; George H. Lubee, 5000 lbs.; Fannie Hayden, 10,000 lbs.; Watuaga, 1500 lbs.; Fanny Read, 1500 lbs.; Crusader, 1200 lbs.; A. P. Parthurst, 1800 lbs.; Rough Rider, 1500 lbs.; small boats, 4000 lbs. Total, 49,500 lbs.

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FISH PRICES STILL HIGH.

T Wharf Dealers Not Overburdened With Supply.

T wharf has had 17 trips of fresh fish since Friday morning's report all with new goods and most of them from the inshore grounds. In the bunch were six of the pollock fleet.

The fares did not run large, the best of the lot being that of sch. Georgianna, which came in yesterday with 53,000 pounds, 40,000 pounds of which were haddock, and which at yesterday's prices will mean a dandy stock and share for Capt. Moulesong and his crew.

This morning schs. Mary DeCosta, Gladys and Nellie, Jessie Costa, Warren M. Goodspeed, Athena and Frances V. Sylvia had nice fares, and each will have a nice stock coming as the prices today, although naturally below the sensational figures of yesterday, are still so high as to cause a man to wonder what fish will bring when they are in light receipt on some of the stormy days which are sure to come this winter.

Haddock sold at from \$3.75 to \$4, and large cod hung up around \$5.50 and \$6, with markets \$3 to \$3.50. Hake were off on the small, these bringing \$1.50, while the large hung to the \$3 figure. Cusk were quoted at \$2.50 and pollock the same old \$2.50.

There were very few smelts received yesterday at T wharf from Maine and only a small quantity came Thursday. The dealers ascribe the falling off in shipments to the storm, and look for better shipments next week. Today the season for taking smelts in New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island will begin, and the first shipment is looked for by Monday. The coming of the fish from the provinces will relieve the market considerably.

For the week ending Friday night 87 fares of fresh fish, aggregating 1,859,000 pounds, were landed at T wharf, while for the corresponding week last year there were landed at the same market 110 fares of fresh fish aggregating 3,857,100 pounds.

The fares and prices in detail are:

Boston Arrivals.

Sch. Rose Dorothea, 1000 haddock, 4500 cod, 8000 hake, 4500 pollock.

Sch. Mary DeCosta, 26,000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Mabelle E. Leavitt, 6000 pollock.

Sch. Lafayette, 6500 pollock.

Sch. Gladys and Sabra, 12,000 pollock.

Sch. Gladys and Nellie, 24,000 haddock, 1500 cod, 7000 hake.

Sch. W. H. Clement, 20 bbls. fresh herring.

Sch. Leo, 5000 haddock, 500 cod, 500 hake.

Sch. Jessie Costa, 18,000 haddock, 11,000 cod, 12,000 hake, 500 cusk, 500 pollock.

Sch. Robert and Carr, 5000 cod, 14,000 hake, 1000 cusk.

Sch. Mettacommet, 9000 pollock.

Sch. Patriot, 14,000 pollock.

Sch. Viking, 12,000 pollock.

Sch. Warren M. Goodspeed, 2000 haddock, 25,000 cod, 11,000 hake.

Sch. Athena, 35,000 haddock, 1800 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Nettie Franklin, 3000 haddock, 3000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Frances V. Sylvia, 25,000 haddock, 1300 cod, 10,000 hake.

Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 15,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Georgianna, 40,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 7000 hake.

Haddock, \$3.75 to \$4 per cwt.; large cod, \$5.50 to \$6; market cod, \$3 to \$3.50; hake, \$1.52 to \$3; cusk, \$2.50; pollock, \$2.50.

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MACKEREL HAVE GONE FROM RIVER

Only a Few Seined in Ipswich Bay Yesterday.

The fishermen who have been operating with small seines and small boats in Annisquam river the past week with considerable success, yesterday transferred their attention to the waters of Ipswich bay, along the Annisquam shore, outside of the light, but met with poor success.

When the fish were up in the river they were in a small compass and easy to locate, but now that they have worked out into the bay and have a larger range of ground to cover, it is harder to find them, and the water being deeper it is also harder to catch them.

Yesterday the catch of the Italian fishermen was but five barrels and this morning they had but two barrels.

The most of the fleet has now gone over to have a try on the Ipswich shore, and some of them will go up in the river believing that they will find the missing schools there.

Although some stray ones have been found in Essex river, mixed up with the herring, no great body of the fish appears to have gone there.

Mackerel Off Nova Scotia.

A dispatch from Halifax, received at Boston Friday night, says that there is still a fair catch of mackerel being made about Liverpool, N. S., and that the boat fishermen at Canso are averaging 100 mackerel to a boat each time they go out. Saturday morning there were 38 barrels of fresh mackerel brought to Boston on the Yarmouth steamer, with one albicore.

Fall mackerel have struck about the shores of Louisburg, C. B., and fair catches were made Wednesday by some of the fishermen.

The fish are large and as usual at this season of the year, are well fattened. The appearance of the fish at so early a date may mean that a grand catch of fall mackerel may be in store for the shore fishermen there, as when the fish strike along at an early date in October, they hold on for a considerable time.

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5,500,000 POUNDS OF FISH

Have Been Taken By Texas Fishermen Within a Year.

Within a year Texas fishermen have caught more than five and one-half million pounds of fish, says the Houston Post. This does not include fish taken from the gulf by private parties. It represents merely commercial fisheries. The report for the last fiscal year (1909) shows that 5,542,840 pounds of fish was the total catch of the registered fishing boats on the Texas coast in the gulf waters. Of this, 3,262,840 pounds were caught in Texas coast waters and 2,280,000 pounds was the catch reported by the Gulf Fisheries Company, which means that this amount of red snapper was taken from the gulf. The fish will average 6 cents the pound, which means that the value of the catch for the last fiscal year was \$332,570.40. There are 371 registered fishing boats in the gulf fisheries industry, of which eighteen are of the "mosquito fleet" of the Gulf Fisheries Company engaged in red snapper fishing. This fishing industry gives employment to 1,164 men.

The fish catches were made principally at Galveston, Port Lavaca, Matagorda Bay, Spirito Santa, Rockport, and the various other bays and sounds along the coast. The red snappers were brought mostly from Campeche banks, the principal operator in the industry being the Gulf Fisheries Co. At Port Lavaca about 271 fishing boats are registered. While some seines are used, most of the fishing is done with hook and line. The laws of Texas limit the length of seines to 1,200 feet, and they may not be stretched less than one mile from any pass. Redfish weighing over twelve pounds are not permitted to be taken from the water.

HERRING AT PORTLAND.

Records for Years Being Broken With Liberal Receipts.

There is no let-up. Herring fairly flooded three of Portland's wharves Friday and before the day was out over 700 barrels of the small fish had been landed there.

Such a busy time has not been seen there in months as was to be noticed where the men were engaged in taking out the small fish, salting them in barrels and then carting them to Franklin wharf to be shipped down east. All that were brought in Friday were shipped away by nighttime and a slippery cargo the fish made.

Of the arrivals that came in Friday the following landed at the Portland Cold Storage Company: Jennie R., 42 barrels; Dolphin, 65; Elthier, 9; Four Brothers, 71; Good Luck, 7; Pet, 45; Rara Avis, 13; H. W. Johnson's boat, 31; Reliance, 7; steamer Brown, 7; Nat Eastman's boat, 12; Aphrodite, 13; Laconia, 38; Sea Foam, 50; Island Sun, 15; Hobson, 18. At Lewis McDonald's shop on Long wharf 240 barrels were received from about seven boats. The tug Lottie and May came up from the Royal river at Yarmouth with a small barge in tow that landed 75 barrels at Union wharf.

So thick are the herring that it seems as if all weekly records for years would be broken. To say that the waters down the bay are alive with the fish does not express the situation accurately enough. They are thicker than that.

Here is a perfectly authentic story that comes from down the bay. One party of fishermen were after herring and they set their nets one night for them. The next morning the fish were so closely packed into the nets that an oar was stood upright among them without any other support. Even then, the school was not landed, for the net caught on bottom and became so tangled that the fish got away.

Portland Fish Notes.

Quite a number of fishing vessels put in here Friday, but the aggregate of their catch was not very heavy, as most of them had not been able to do much the past few days owing to the exceedingly rough weather prevailing. Most of the vessels arriving Friday had been fishing on Jeffries, and they report pretty lively times in the heavy blow of Wednesday last, the whole fleet running for Cape Porpoise for shelter. The skippers report a heavy sea running Friday morning outside, conditions being so bad that no attempts were made at fishing. In the gale of Wednesday part of the crew of sch. Sylvia M. Nunan got separated from their vessel, but were later picked up by sch. Eva & Mildred and next day put on board their own vessel.

The Boston fishing sch. Mary Edith was one of the fleet that put in here Friday, she having been pounded so severely in the gale of Wednesday she was glad to run into port for shelter. She had on board about 7000 pounds of fish, but did not sell, the captain intending to make another set before proceeding home.

Capt. Young Back From Nova Scotia Trip.

Capt. Carl C. Young, who has been to Whitehead and Hawkesbury, looking after the owners' interest in sch. Hope, which recently put in at the former place with her rudder gone and was repaired at the latter port, has arrived home.

The captain reports that no bait has struck in yet at Hawkesbury. Sch. Arabia had been in there recently and hauled for 100 tubs of fish.

There appeared to be some mackerel at Canso, and the netters had taken some, but of late had had no chance because of the bad weather which lasted from Sunday to Thursday of last week.

Seiners Bound Home.

Eight vessels of the American seining fleet harbored at North Sydney, C. B., last Monday. The North Sydney Herald says:

"Large schools of the mackerel were 'raised' right off the harbor entrance Saturday night and on Monday, but the prevailing bad weather would not allow of a set being made. The skippers of the different vessels, however, are by no means disappointed at their bad luck, and they feel that they will yet go home with good fares."

BRITTANY SARDINE FISHERY.

Industry Gives Employment to About 20,000 Persons.

Sardines are found on the coast of Brittany throughout the year, but flourish in greater abundance in the summer and fall. The average season's catch is from 100,000,000 to 150,000,000 pounds, valued at anywhere from \$1,500,000 to \$3,000,000. This industry gives employment to about 20,000 persons, mostly women and girls. The bait in general use is the salted eggs of the codfish and it is estimated that \$250,000 is paid by Breton fishermen annually to Norway for cod roe.

The casting of the bait, on the proper use of which a great deal of the success of the fishing depends, is always done by the captain of the boat, who stands on a little platform in the stern, and while directing the movements of the boat and the manipulation of the net throws the bait to attract the fish to the surface and around the boat. When the fish are on one side of the net or the other his next move is to cast the bait in such a way as to cause them to rush against the net and thus become gilled.

Besides its revenue from sardines, Brittany maintains some 4000 oyster-growing establishments, from which about 135,000,000 oysters are collected annually. Besides this shrimp, tunny, mackerel and lobsters are also taken in fairly large quantities, and in some years as much as \$1,000,000 worth of seaweed is collected.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Arabia was at Port Hawkesbury last Thursday, where a heavy gale was reported during Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, the wind being from north to west.

Sch. Victor was at Liverpool, N. S., on Friday, and cleared for this port.

Sch. Hope Bound Home.

Sch. Hope which made Whitehead, N. S., with her rudder gone and went to Port Hawkesbury to repair, has had a new rudder hung and is on the way home with 15,000 pounds of salt cod.

SMALL FARES ARE THE RULE.

But Several Fishermen Are at This Port Today.

Quite a number of crafts, most of them with small fares have arrived here since last report. Saturday afternoon schs. William H. Rider with a small drift Georges cod catch and sch. Carrie C. with 20,000 pounds of salt cod, from a Georges straight handlining trip, came in, but yesterday nothing arrived until late in the day, when the dory handliner Helen G. Wells from her second trip, shot in with a small catch of 60,000 pounds of salt cod.

This morning sch. Addie M. Story came up from the Maine coast with a load of salt fish for Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company, and sch. Norma, one of the dory handline fleet, a part of whose crew left her at Canso, N. S., some time ago, causing her captain to give up the voyage, came in with no fish.

Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, Capt. George Nelson, from an eastern salt shack trip is also a morning arrival and has a good fare, 100,000 pounds of salt cod. Sch. Esperanto, from the same line of fishing, hauls for 60,000 pounds of salt cod and 10,000 pounds of fresh cod.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. William H. Rider, Georges, drifting, 10,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Carrie C., Georges, handlining, 20,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Helen G. Wells, eastern dory handlining, 60,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, Sable Island Bank, 100,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Esperanto, Sable Island Bank, 60,000 lbs. salt cod, 10,000 lbs. fresh cod.

Sch. Norma, dory handlining, returned.

Torchers and traps, 150 bbls. fresh herring.

Sch. Addie M. Story, Maine coast, salt fish for the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company.

Sch. Jubilee, Georges, drifting, 35,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Lillian, shore.

Sch. Rebecca, shore.

Sch. Mary DeCosta, via Boston.

Sch. Patriot, shore.

Sch. Mary A. Gleason, shore.

Sch. Valentina, shore.

Sch. Gladys and Sabra, shore.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Mary E. Cooney, haddocking.

Sch. Lucania, haddocking.

Sch. Cynthia, haddocking.

Sch. Eugenia, haddocking.

Sch. Clara G. Silva, haddocking.

Sch. Flora J. Sears, haddocking.

Sch. Selma, halibuting.

Sch. Monitor, halibuting.

Sch. Pauline, Georges, handlining.

Sch. Juno, eastern deck handlining.

Sch. Lillian, cod netting.

Sch. Yankee, shore.

Sch. Julietta, shore.

Sch. Little Fanny, shore.

Sch. Hattie K. Knowlton, shore.

Sch. Catherine D. Enos, shore.

Sch. Massasoit, Boston.

Sch. Emily Cooney, Boston.

Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, Boston.

Sch. A. C. Newhall, Boston.

Sch. Edith Silveira, Boston.

Sch. Emily Sears, pollocking.

Sch. Priscilla, pollocking.

Sch. Actor, pollocking.

Sch. Mary A. Gleason, pollocking.

Sch. Mettacommet, pollocking.

Sch. James and Esther, pollocking.

Sch. Grace Otis, pollocking.

Sch. Good Luck, pollocking.

Sch. Fitz A. Oakes, pollocking.

Sch. Gladys and Sabra, pollocking.

Sch. Patriot, pollocking.

Sch. Valentina, pollocking.

Today's Fish Market.

Handline Georges cod, large, \$4 per cwt.; medium, \$3.50.

Trawl Georges cod, large, \$3.75 per cwt.; medium, \$3.25.

Trawl bank cod, large, \$3.35 per cwt.; medium, \$3.

Drift Georges cod, large, \$3.75 per cwt.; medium, \$3.50.

Eastern double dory salt handline cod, \$3.87½ per cwt. for large and \$3.55 for mediums.

Outside sales of Bank cod, \$3.75 for large and \$3.50 for medium.

Bank halibut 11 cents per lb. right through for white and gray.

Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2.

Salt haddock, \$1.25 per cwt.

Salt hake, \$1.25 per cwt.

Salt pollock, \$1.25 per cwt.

Dory handline cod, large, \$3.75 per cwt.; medium, \$3.50.

Swordfish, 14 cts. per lb.

Splitting prices for fresh fish:

Western cod, large, \$2.25 per cwt.; medium, \$1.75.

Eastern cod, large, \$1.90 per cwt.; medium, \$1.55; snappers, 60 cts.

Western Bank cod, large, \$2.12 1-2 per cwt.; medium, \$1.65.

Cusk, large, \$1.65 per cwt.; medium, \$1.25; snappers, 50 cents.

Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.; hake, \$1.15 per cwt.; dressed pollock, 75 cts. per cwt.; round pollock, 70 cts. per cwt.

T Wharf Italians Fought.

The bad blood between the "hand liners" and the "trawlers" of the "pony fishing fleet" at T wharf, Boston, which culminated a week ago in the scuttling of four "trawlers'" power boats, broke out again Sunday in a drawn battle between Manuel Vittoretto and Pasquale Gomes.

Vittoretto, the trawler, enraged by the aggressive way Gomes moored his boat, crashing into the trawler, and scraping off paint the length of the top side, sprang at the hand liner's throat.

Gomes was slightly the larger of the two scrappers. Several times he landed with telling force, beating the smaller man to his knees. Each time Vittoretto fought back to his feet, pitching in with an agility that almost matched Gomes' heavier weight.

The trouble was stopped by the police before serious results ensued.

Herring at Nova Scotia.

Dispatches received here Saturday state that there were a few herring at Cape Negro, some herring being taken at Lockport, herring scarce and squid fairly plenty at Liverpool.

FISH RECEIPTS SHOW INCREASE.

Although Some Branches Notably Mackerel, Show Great Falling Off.

High Prices Aid Materially in Making Season a Successful One.

On September 1, Gloucester completed three-quarters of its fish year and the comparative results in each line of food fishes receipts at this time, is not only interesting, but important. The figures show that while, as compared with the same date last season, the total receipts at the port for 1910 are some six million pounds and over ahead of last year to the same date, that the increase is confined practically to haddock, hake, cusk and pollock, and more especially the latter (the receipts of which are more than double that of last year), that the receipts of salt cod are some three millions of pounds, and a little over, less than last year, at this time.

Fresh cod show an increase of nearly a million pounds, while the receipts of fresh halibut are practically the same as last year. Flitches show quite a substantial increase, although the price paid this season was seldom, if ever, equalled in recent years. Cured fish show a decline, although the down east fleet is just beginning to come along, and receipts from this direction will probably be about the same as last year, by the end of the season.

In salt and fresh mackerel there is a most disappointing falling off, and in these lines there is no chance to recoup.

At the present time, and for some time past, there has been a fine trade in salt fish and the trade is continuing. The dealers are looking for that continuance throughout the whole winter and they are not looking for it without reason.

There is some fish yet to come, but it is only fair to say that the great bulk of the season's salted catch has been landed though of course there are a few million pounds in sight and prospective, yet to arrive and which will be landed between now and the middle of November. After that will come what very few salted cod the handline Georgesmen will land and the fresh fish fares which will come to the Fort Wharf dealers.

The Newfoundland Herring Fishery.

Besides this, of course, must be considered the doings of the Newfoundland herring fleet, both salt and frozen and although the plans of all the

firms are not fully matured in this direction there is no reason to think, at present, that the season in these two lines, provided the fish show up on the treaty coast of Newfoundland, will not be on the average with the past few seasons, and if the scarcity of shore bait continues, the frozen end may loom up larger than ever before.

As it stands at present, Gloucester is on the threshold of the herring season, which is always a lottery of the biggest kind. On the other hand, with a total catch of ground fish better than last season, at this time, although with a slight shortage in the salt cod showing, it is enjoying and bids fair to enjoy, throughout the regular season, a big salt fish trade.

Increase in Fare Prices Being Considered.

The question of higher prices here, especially of salt cod trips, from the vessel, has been mooted for several weeks. Whether it will come or not is a question. Nobody is kicking that the present prices are not good ones, but there are some careful watchers of conditions who claim that these conditions of supply and demand should argue for a raise in the near future. On the other hand the buyers point to the fine prices they have been paying steadily all the season and argue that these are good enough to hold until the end of the season. But the law of supply and demand finally regulates everything, and the wants and needs of individual firms will decide the question whether salt fish will go higher or remain at present figures.

Certainly from figures of fish landed and price general points of view, Gloucester has much to congratulate itself on, for the past nine months of the year. If the following three months, with the most hazardous of all the fishing to be started, the herring fishery, will turn out as well, and the winter haddocks do all that is prognosticated for them by the present continued high prices, Gloucester seems destined to close its fishing season of 1910 in a manner which must be pleasing to all interested.

The following table gives the catch landed at this port for the month of September, of this and the past two years and also the catch landed here from January 1 to October 1, for this and the preceeding two years, the tables embracing the catch of each important species of fish:

September Receipts.

	1910.	1909.	1908.
	Pounds.	Pounds.	Pounds.
Salt cod,	3,193,322	5,695,200	3,740,805
Fresh cod,	1,642,091	3,118,900	2,311,500
Halibut,	23,651	72,800	275,000
Haddock,	461,120	275,800	1,512,300
Hake,	661,576	111,300	980,200
Cusk,	321,466	123,800	471,600
Pollock,	240,755	254,400	376,800
Flitched Halibut,	739,977	529,583	616,932
Total,	7,193,958	10,181,783	10,285,437
	Bbls.	Bbls.	Bbls.
Fresh mackerel,	12	50	
Salt mackerel,	16	250	
	Qtls.	Qtls.	Qtls.
Cured fish,	3,898	8,250	7,700

Total Catches, January 1 to October 1.

	1910.	1909.	1908.
	Pounds.	Pounds.	Pounds.
Salt cod,	17,614,228	20,993,000	14,356,205
Fresh cod,	9,045,577	8,156,300	10,714,200
Halibut,	2,146,838	2,222,000	2,468,100
Haddock,	4,510,447	3,569,300	7,224,500
Hake,	2,964,947	1,267,500	4,288,400
Cusk,	2,226,649	1,202,000	2,828,100
Pollock,	8,046,510	3,692,300	5,269,100
Flitched halibut,	810,317	626,753	783,360
Total,	47,365,513	41,729,153	47,931,965
	Qtls.	Qtls.	Qtls.
Cured fish,	12,892	17,950	18,400
	Bbls.	Bbls.	Bbls.
Fresh mackerel,	490	3,348	4,046
Salt mackerel,	2,275	12,914	15,248

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**LARGE FLEET
AT T WHARF.**

**Thirty-Seven Vessels With Fish
at Boston This Morning.**

There are 37 vessels with fresh fish fares at T wharf this morning. Hake seems to predominate in most of the trips, but nevertheless several of the crafts have nice lots of haddock. Cod continues in light receipts and there is quite a lot of pollock in. All in all the day will be a satisfactory one for dealers, skippers and fishermen as well, for the former have enough fish to begin the week on in good shape and the latter are getting good prices for their catches.

The steam trawler Spray is the headliner today, as she has been many times in the past few months, her haul being 70,000 pounds of new haddock and a few cod and hake. There is good money in that trip all right, as the fish are all new and will bring the top of the market.

A few of the Georges and South Channel fleet are in with fair trips, but the most of the arrivals are from the market fleet, these latter finding a lot of hake and but few haddock and cod.

Schs. Terra Nova and Robert and Arthur, of the off shore fleet, the former with 40,000 and the latter with 43,000 pounds, have the largest fares outside of the big one brought in by the Spray. The pollock fares run from 8000 to 15,000 pounds. Among the market boats with good fares are schs. Massasoit, Elizabeth W. Nunan, Evelyn L. Thompson, Hortense, Victor and Ethan, Matchless, Washakie, Harriet, Ida S. Brooks and Matiana.

Haddock are bringing \$3 to \$3.50, large cod \$5.50 to \$6.50, markets \$3.50 \$4.50, hake, \$1.15 to \$2.25, pollock \$1.50 to \$1.55 and cusk \$3.

The fares and prices in detail are:

- Boston Arrivals.**
- Sch. Seaconnet 2000 haddock, 5000 cod, 9000 hake.
 - Sch. Ralph Russell, 1000 haddock, 5500 cod, 1500 pollock.
 - Sch. A. C. Newhall, 1800 haddock, 2000 cod, 12,000 hake, 4000 cusk.
 - Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, 8000 haddock, 6500 cod.
 - Sch. Sylvia M. Nunan, 800 haddock, 1500 cod, 15,000 hake, 1200 cusk.
 - Sch. Olive F. Hutchins, 1000 haddock, 1500 cod, 14,000 hake.
 - Sch. Massasoit, 4000 haddock, 3500 cod, 14,000 hake, 4000 pollock.
 - Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, 1000 haddock, 3000 cod, 30,000 hake, 2000 pollock.
 - Sch. Emerald, 3000 cod, 8000 pollock.
 - Sch. Reliance, 9000 pollock.
 - Sch. Esther Gray, 10,000 pollock.
 - Sch. Albert W. Black, 1000 haddock, 2500 cod, 12,000 hake.
 - Sch. Manomet, 2500 haddock, 2200 cod, 15,000 hake, 4000 cusk.
 - Sch. Ellen C. Burke, 8000 haddock, 5000 cod, 600 hake.
 - Sch. Evelyn L. Thompson, 1200 haddock, 2200 cod, 35,000 hake.
 - Sch. Hortense, 2000 cod, 22,000 hake, 3000 cusk.
 - Sch. Terra Nova, 23,000 haddock, 2900 cod, 15,000 hake.
 - Sch. Victor and Ethan, 28,000 haddock, 1200 cod, 1200 hake.
 - Sch. Grace Darling, 1200 haddock, 4500 cod, 800 hake, 800 pollock.
 - Sch. Matchless, 13,000 haddock, 21,000 cod, 8000 hake.
 - Sch. Boyd and Leeds, 15,000 pollock.
 - Sch. Marguerite Haskins, 11,000 pollock.
 - Sch. Edward A. Rich, 15,000 pollock.
 - Sch. Hattie L. Trask, 12,000 pollock.
 - Sch. Mary A. Gleason, 9000 pollock.
 - Steamer Spray, 70,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake.
 - Sch. Robert and Arthur, 30,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 7000 hake.
 - Sch. Washakie, 24,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 6000 hake.
 - Sch. Emily Cooney, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod, 16,000 hake.
 - Sch. Harriet, 18,000 haddock, 6000 cod.
 - Sch. Philip P. Manta, 7000 haddock, 8500 cod, 8000 hake, 5000 pollock.
 - Sch. Ida S. Brooks, 16,000 haddock, 9000 cod, 2000 hake.
 - Sch. Matiana, 18,000 haddock, 1800 cod, 3500 hake.

Oct. 17.
Sch. Lochovar, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2500 hake.
Sch. Edith Silveria, 10,000 haddock, 1500 cod.
Sch. Alice, 2000 haddock, 1900 cod, 12,000 hake, 500 cusk.
Haddock, \$3 to \$3.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$5.50 to \$6.50; market cod, \$3.50 to \$4.50; hake, \$1.15 to \$2.25; pollock, \$1.50 to \$1.55; cusk, \$3.

Oct. 18.
**Must Change Mode of Employing
Fishermen.**

The Bay of Islands, N. F., Western Star says:
"According to outside papers great destitution prevails on the Labrador and much hardship will result this winter unless the conditions of the inhabitants is ameliorated to a certain extent.

"The time is coming when the Labrador fishermen will refuse to longer engage in the fishery on a purely speculative basis. Whether the fishery is a failure or not the men must be paid for their labor and if employers want to prosecute this precarious industry they must be prepared to put up the cash, whether successful or not. Then we shall hear less of tales of destitution and of men not being able to pay their fares home on account of the failure of the fisheries.

Lunenburg Fish Notes.

A cablegram reports the schooner Goldie Bell arrived at Porto Rico from Mahone Bay with a cargo of fish and lumber.

The banking sch. Calavera is at Mahone Bay with 300 quintals of fish, taken on her fall trip.

Sch. Alice Gertrude cleared Wednesday for the banks on a fall fishing trip.

J. Ernst Sons are building a fine steamer for themselves at their yard at Mahone Bay. The vessel is intended to ply between Halifax and Mahone. Ernst will likely soon begin work on the construction of a steamer of 120 feet keel for the men at Riviere du Loup who bought the old Mahone a year ago.

Sch. Vernie May is at Mahone Bay with 200 quintals of fish, taken on the banks.

**Columbia River Salmon Fishers Make
Big Money.**

Certainly these men who catch salmon in the Columbia river make good money. So far as reported, the "high boat" among the gillnetters, that is the one making the largest catch during the past fishing season, was A. Nissen, who is employed by the Eureka cannery. He caught 18½ tons of fish, which netted him about \$2500, and 16 tons of these were taken before July 1. J. Nissen, who also works for the Eureka cannery, caught 14 tons, that brought him in the neighborhood of \$2000 for the season's work. Another gillnetter who did remarkably well was Peter Dicklich, who fishes for Phil McDonough, of Bear Cliff. His string amounted to \$2001.62.

Dominion Fish Reports for Monday.

Port La Tour—Herring fair; other branches dull.

Liverpool—Weather unfavorable for fishing, 80 barrels mackerel shipped today; (Am.) fishing vessel Rhodora in for shelter.

Lockeport—Cod and herring plenty.

Lunenburg—One trap Saturday had 400 mackerel; banker Gladys B. Smith in with 400 qtls., fall trip.

Queensport—Few mackerel taken today; cod, hake and haddock scarce.

Arichat—One boat reported 20 mackerel.

Ingonish—Cod and squid fair; dogfish very plentiful; no herring.

Strange Fish Captured.

A fish unknown to science, combining the characteristics of the shark and the pilot fish, was landed in New Orleans, on October 3, frozen in a block of ice and preserved for research. The unclassified specimen had the head of a pilot fish, while the belly, tail and skin were those of a shark. The fins, however, were different from those of a man-eater. The fish was three feet long, and weighed 15 pounds. It was caught by Captain David Pitre in the Gulf of Mexico, near Point-au-Faire, at the mouth of the Atchafalaya river.

Oct. 18.
Not Finding Mackerel.

The Italian boats did not strike any mackerel yesterday or this morning, as up to 10.30 o'clock none had been landed at Fort wharf. Most of the boats are over on the other side of the bay and it looks as if the schools had eluded them for a time at least.

HALIBUT AT BAY OF ISLANDS

**Gloucester and Boston Parties Said to
be Making Investigations.**

A gentleman from Boston was in Bay of Islands last week looking over the prospects for halibut fishing in these waters. He is prepared to invest a large sum of money in erecting a fishing station here and states that some of the largest fish dealers in Boston and Gloucester are interested in the enterprise. He has already secured contracts with several hundred fishermen on the coast, to fish for him and he expects if all goes well, to have the enterprise in full swing in a short time. Halibut is remarkably plentiful around this coast, but no attempt is made to dispose of the fish. At Burgeo halibut fishing is quite a remunerative business, but in this vicinity it is entirely neglected. The promoter of the enterprise went to St. John's Friday to consult the government with a view of securing a 100-ton steamer for the business.—Bay of Islands, N. F., Western Star.

Poor Fishing Along Cape Breton Coast.

John A. Neville, of Halifax, who is now in Sydney, after visiting the fishing stations of his firm along Cape Breton coast, speaks in a rather remarkable way of the present condition of the fisheries. The fall season, he says, is practically a failure, nothing that could be called fishing has been accomplished for the past month in many localities. It is almost an impossibility to secure bait, and what bait there is to be had yields very little in the way of a catch.

There is usually an abundance of cod and mackerel at this season of the year, but practically none of these fish are now being taken, and the season is recognized as one of the worst in years.

Dogfish are now particularly destructive to the mackerel fishing. They are spoiling so many nets that the fishermen hardly think it worth while to set them out, although a possible remedy has been discovered by an old Gabarus veteran. He puts out a net so torn by dogfish that he did not expect any results worth mentioning, but he gathered about eighty mackerel, the holes being so big that the dogfish mostly slipped through, although they undoubtedly ate many of the mackerel which had been entangled.

In one fleet of nets set out at Gabarus recently nearly 200 dogfish were caught.

Mr. Neville has information that the Marine Department is now at work on a proposal for the establishment of fish hatcheries all along the Nova Scotia coast. These matters will be laid before Parliament, and it is expected that it will be possible to commence the erection of the hatcheries in the spring.

Germany and British Herring.

It is not in the matter of Drednaughts alone that the Germans are giving the British people a bad scare. According to a recent Scotch exchange, a good deal of apprehension exists among those engaged in the herring industry, for there is more than a likelihood that the Teutons will put a prohibitive duty on herring exported from British ports when she has increased her catching powers, so as to be able to supply her own people with fish. At present Germany is only too glad to have British herring, for she has not the catching resources that this country has. But this is rapidly being remedied by the construction of a fleet of steam drifters, which, with the aid and encouragement of the government is added to annually.

Hitherto, although the danger of this has been hinted at, there has been nothing very tangible with which to convince the sceptics. A few weeks ago, however, a discussion took place in the Reichstag, in the course of which a complaint was made that the German fisheries suffered much from foreign competition, and that the evasion of the duty on herring by British exporters seriously affected the German fishermen. The government, however, naturally declined to increase the duty for the present, for that would tend to make herring dear in the country, because its own fishing fleet is not yet in a position to make good the deficiencies in British supplies which might arise as the result of a higher duty. When the Germans are able to cope with the demand of their market, it will be another matter and many fear that the day is not far distant.